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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MOPS, CG  
SUBJECT: GOZ REQUEST FOR RETENTION OF PORTABLE REFUELING  
HYDRANT SYSTEM (R-14) AND AERIAL BULK FUEL DELIVERY SYSTEM (ABFDS)

REF: A. KINSHASA 6739 B. SECDEF 031804Z JUL 78

1. ZAMISH REPRESENTATIVE VISITED KAMINA ON 8 JULY TO INSPECT  
SUBJECT EQUIPMENT. BOTH THE R-14 AND THE TWO ABFDS UNITS  
HAVE BEEN DISASSEMBLED, THE BLADDERS ROLLED UP, AND EVERYTHING  
PLACED IN A HANGER. APPARENTLY NO ZAIRIAN PERSONNEL WERE TRAINED  
BY THE BELGIANS IN THE USE OR MAINTENANCE OF THIS EQUIPMENT.  
THE UNITS WERE NOT PURGED OR CLEANED, AND THEY STILL CONTAIN  
RESIDUAL FUEL AND THE PLUMBING IS EXPOSED TO DUST AND DIRT.  
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2. EMBASSY ORIGINALLY BELIEVED THAT GOZ HAD ARRANGED TO RECEIVE  
A FUNCTIONING SYSTEM. THE PRESENT CONDITION OF THIS EQUIPMENT IS  
QUESTIONABLE. ADDITIONALLY, ONE OF THE ABFDS PUMPING UNITS WAS  
DROPPED FROM A FORKLIFT AND DAMAGED SLIGHTLY.

3. IN ORDER TO BETTER INFORM GOZ AND ENABLE THEM TO MAKE A

COST-EFFECTIVE DECISION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF THIS EQUIPMENT,  
REQUEST APPROPRIATE ADDRESSEES PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

A. ACQUISITION COST OF THE EQUIPMENT.

B. COST OF MTT TO INSTRUCT FAZA PERSONNEL IN CARE AND USE OF  
THE EQUIPMENT.

C. HOW LONG CAN THE EQUIPMENT REMAIN IN ITS PRESENT STATE BEFORE  
CORROSION AND CONTAMINATION RENDER IT USLESS?

D. CAN THE EQUIPMENT BE CLEANED UP AND PLACED IN STORAGE STATUS?

4. THE CURRENT LOW VOLUME OF OPERATIONS AT KAMINA DO NOT REQUIRE  
THAT THIS SYSTEM BE IN OPERATION; HOWEVER EMBASSY FEELS THAT  
HAVING THE SYSTEM IN-COUNTRY AND STORED IN THE EVENT OF ANOTHER  
CONTINGENCY OPERATION IS A VALID REQUIREMENT IF THE RESPONSE TO  
THE QUESTIONS IN PARE 3 MAKES IT PRACTICAL TO DO SO.

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